Indiana's Response to Intervention Academy

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What words and images come to mind when you hear "Response to Intervention"?



So What Is RtI...

A framework for *prevention and early* intervention which involves determining whether all students are learning and progressing adequately when provided with high quality instruction and *intervention*

Integrated System for Academic and Behavioral Supports

<u>Tier 3</u>:

- Few Students
- Increased Frequency
- Longer Duration

Tier 2:

Small Group

Tier I:

- All Students
- Preventative,
 Proactive

Services across tiers are fluid and data-driven

District/Community Team
Building Core Team

Support

Building Core Team

Targeted, Supplemental
Supports

Intense,

Individualized

Core Curriculum, Instruction, and Learning
Environment

Grade Level Teams
Building Core Team
School Improvement Team

And Why Is It Needed....

- Children and Youth are in need academically and behaviorally.
 - Estimated 1 in 10 adolescents experience a significant mental health disorder (Surgeon General's Report, 2000)
 - Indiana 4th graders in 2005, 30% were at or above proficiency in reading and 35% were at or above proficiency in math (KIDS COUNT, 2007)
 - 5.1% of youth aged 12-18 report some form of victimization at school (NCES, 2005)
 - 29% of schools report signification acts of bullying (NCES, 2005)
 - 10% or 16-24 year olds not enrolled in school and have no diploma/GED (NCES, 2003)
 - 1,700 suspension each school day; Indiana schools reported 313, 322 suspensions in 2005-06

And Where Did it Come From...Conceptual Foundation

- Public Health Prevention and Intervention Models (Caplan, 1964; Gordon, 1983)
- Learning and teaching environments can be designed to
 - teach,
 - Monitor progress, &
 - acknowledge positive social behaviors and academic skills
- Resulting in
 - A decrease in the development of <u>new</u> problems AND
 - A decrease in the worsening of <u>existing</u> problems

And Where Did it Come From...Research and Federal Reports

- Research base beginning in the 1970's
 - Curriculum Based Measurement; S. Deno, D. Fuchs, L. Fuchs
 - Problem Solving Method, J. Bergan
 - Reading; S. Vaughn, J. Torgeson, B. Foorman, etc.
- Various federal initiatives/reports
 - National Research Council Report, 1982
 - National Reading Panel, 2000
 - National Research Council Panel on Minority Overrepresentation Report, 2002
 - President's New Freedom Commission on Mental Health, 2003
 - National Summit on Learning Disabilities
 - President's Commission on Excellence in Special Education, 2002

Areas of Application & Connection to Other Initiatives

- Areas of Application
 - Academic
 - Behavior
 - Social-Emotional Learning
- Connection to Other Initiatives
 - Reading First
 - Positive Behavior Support
 - School Based Mental Health
 - Crisis Prevention and Response and more...
- Connection to Services
 - Title I
 - Special Education
 - Language Education Programs??? and more.....

Empirical Evidence for Tiered Systems

Emerging evidence to suggest fewer students (less than 2%) are identified as LD.

Burns, Appleton, Stehouwer, 2005

Reduction in special education *referrals* in early grades.

Tilly, 2003

Overall reduction in special education placements.

O'Connor, 2003

Field-based practices yield similar or stronger results than university research-based efforts.

Burns, Appleton, Stehouwer, 2005

Emerging evidence on the individual components of RTI.

Coleman, Buysse & Neitzel, 2006

Components to Consider

- Leadership
- Evidence-based core curriculum, instruction, & interventions/extensions
- Assessment and progress monitoring system
- Data-based decision making
- Cultural responsivity
- Family, community & school partnerships

Indiana's Response to Intervention Website Tour



Moving toward Implementation

- Consensus Building
- Developing an Infrastructure

Implementation

Necessary at the District, & Building Levels

A process that takes 3-6 years for full implementation!

Where to Begin?

- Building consensus through inquiry
- Assessing current practices,
- Identifying needs,
- Developing a timeline for consensus building and infrastructure development,
- Integrating with school improvement plans and activities

Key Websites

Collaborative Problem Solving Project @ the Blumberg Center www. indstate.edu/soe/blumberg/cpsp

National Center on Student Progress Monitoring (NCSPM) <u>www.studentprogress.org</u>

National Research Center on Learning Disabilities (NCRLD) www.nrcld.org

> Research Institute on Progress Monitoring <u>www.progressmonitor.org</u>

> > IRIS Center http://iris.peabody.vanderbilt.edu/

Florida Center for Reading Research http://www.fcrr.org/

Key Websites

Indiana's Vision of Response to Intervention

http://www.doe.in.gov/indiana-rti/

Vaughn Gross Center for Reading and Language Arts

http://www.texasreading.org/utcrla/

Center on Instruction

http://www.centeroninstruction.org

University of Oregon

http://www.reading.uoregon.edu/curricula

Collaborative for Academic, Social, and Emotional Learning http://www.casel.org

OSEP Center on Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports

http://www.pbis.org/tools

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Today's Agenda

10:00 - 11:30	Session One (choose one)
	A. Assessment and Progress Monitoring Rebecca Martinez
	B. Cultural Responsivity Alyson Luther
	C. Leadership Kirk Freeman

11:45 -12:30	Lunch
12:45 - 2:15	Session Two (choose one) A. Data-Based Decision Making Ginger Miller B. Family, School, and Community Partnerships Glenda Hottt C. Evidence-Based Practices (Core Curriculum, Instruction, Interventions, and Extensions) Molly Seward

2:30-3:15	Panel Discussion with Presenters
3:15-3:30	Evaluations and Closing